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Resolve to Drive Safe

It's the start of a brand new year. What a great time to wipe the slate clean! If you have picked up poor driving habits over the last year, now is the time to change them! The good news is that every time you get behind the wheel is a time to recommit to safety. How? Follow these simple steps:

- **Buckle Up.** Yes, buckle up. Every single time you get in the car. And make sure that your passengers are buckled up, too. If you are unsure if your child seat is the proper size for your child or if you are unsure if it is installed correctly, now is a great time to call our Fitting Stations. Best of all, it is completely free!
- **Slow Down.** You will get where you need to be whether you speed and drive aggressively, or whether you drive calmly and in control. Remember to obey the posted traffic signs, and be thoughtful of other drivers.
- **Limit Distractions.** Before you even pull out of your parking spot, put your mobile device away. Driving is not the time to browse the web, text, or check your email. If you must stay connected while you are on the road, use a hands free device. Keep your hands on the wheel and your mind on the road. It could save your life.
- **Always Designate a Sober Driver.** Every time you are going out and intend to drink alcohol, designate someone who will get you home safely. It could be a family member, friend, or public transportation ... anyone who has chosen not to drink at all.

You can find more information about these topics at www.ohs.delaware.gov. From all of us here at the Delaware Office of Highway Safety, Have Happy, Safe, and Prosperous New Year.

Drive Safe. Arrive Alive DE.